

OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 41 Series of 2020

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER IMPOSING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE

WHEREAS, on March 08, 2020, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte through Proclamation No. 922 has declared a state of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19 and there is a need to impose additional measures to ensure the safety of the general public and lessen the possibility of spread of the said disease;

WHEREAS, the abovementioned proclamation capacitates Local Government Units (LGUs) to immediately act to prevent loss of life, utilize appropriate resources to implement urgent and critical measures to contain or prevent the spread of COVID-19, mitigate its effects and impact to the community, and prevent serious disruption of the functioning of the government and community;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code of 1991 mandates every local government unit to exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied there from, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of general welfare, health and safety including the provisions of services to control communicable diseases;

WHEREAS, on Murch 12, 2020, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease and President Rodrigo Roa Duterie raised the country's COVID-19 alert system to Code Red, Sub-level Two (2);

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, a Memorandum was issued from the office of Executive Secretary Salvador Medialden providing the guidelines on the imposition of an enhanced community quarantine and the stringent social distancing measures over the entire Luzon.

WHEREAS, as part of the worldwide preventive measures against COVID-19 and in order to ensure a healthy and virus-free City and enforce stringent social distancing measure; the City Government of Olongapo will take concertee and proactive steps to prevent, contain and restrict the possibility of spreading COVID-19 from sources foreign to its territorial jurisdiction.

NOW THEREFORE, I, ROLEN C. PAULINO, JR., City Mayor of Olongapo City, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order that:

Section 1. ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE. Enhanced community quarantine is hereby declared within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Olongapo effective 12:00 am of 17 March 2020 to 12:00 am of 13 April 2020;

Section 2. WINDOW HOURS. The general public is hereby advised to prepare for their provisions during the period of enhanced community quarantine and the operation of public transport is allowed until 12:00 am of 21 March 2020, provided that the stringent social distancing measures are maintained and observed, thereafter, mass public transport facilities shall be suspended unless otherwise provided;



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Section 3. BORDER CONTROL.

- a. Joint Task Force (PNP-AFP-BFP-PCG-CHO-LGU) checkpoint operations shall be established in the all major entry and exit points of the City, (1) the Barangay Barretto in the northern boundary, (2) the Barangay New Cabalari in the southern boundary, (3) 14th Gate, (4) Rizal Avenue Gate and (5) Kalaklan Gate. The gate for Kalayaan Residences shall be temporarily closed to Olongapo during period;
- b. Joint Task Force (PNP-AFP-BFP-PCG-CHO-LGU) maritime law enforcement operations shall be established to monitor and conduct surveillance along the coastal areas of the province to prevent any human and material transport in the coastal areas from unauthorized entry. The Bantay-Dagat volunteers shall be organized and utilized as force multipliers. Further, the Bantay-Dagat volunteers (fisherfolks) will be supervised by the Barangay Officials and the Joint Task Force; and
- c. The non-essential entry of people shall be prohibited, except. (1) health workers, (2) authorized government officials, (3) those travelling for medical or humanitarian reasons, (4) persons providing basic services and public utilities, and (5) essential skeletal workforce.

Section 4. RESTRICTION IN THE MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE AND GOODS.

- A strict home quatantine shall be observed in all households; movement shall be limited to accessing basic necessities, provision for food and essential health services shall be regulated, and there will be heightened presence of uniformed personnel to enforce quarantine procedures;
- b. A work from home arrangement shall be implemented in the Local Government Unit of Olongapo, except the PNP, AFP, PCG, and health and emergency frontline services, border control and other critical services, which shall ensure a skeletal work force.
- c. Only those private establishments providing basic necessities and such activities related to food and medicine production, i.e., public markets, supermarkets, groceries, convenience stores, hospitals, medical clinics, pharmacies and drug stores, food preparation and delivery services, water-refilling stations, manufacturing and processing plants of basic food products and medicines, banks, money transfer services, power, energy, water and telecommunications supplies and facilities, shall be open;
- d. Private establishments providing basic necessities and such activities related to food, i.e., public markets, supermarkets, groceries and convenience stores shall only be open until 7:30 pm;
- e. In all such open establishments, their respective managements shall ensure the adoption of a strict skeletal workforce to support operations, as well as all strict social distancing measures;



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- f. Land, air and sea travel of uniformed personnel for official business, especially those transporting medical supplies, laboratory specimens related to COVID-19 and other humanitarian assistance, shall be allowed; and
- a. Any material which may possibly serve as medium of COVID-19 is prohibited to enter the City.

Section 5. PUBLIC UTILITIES. Electric, Water and Internet services shall not be cutoff by Utility Companies during the period of Enhanced Community Quarantine by reason of
non-payment of bills, not will any penalties be imposed for such non-payment. Payments for
Electric, Water and Internet Bills, and Local Government regulatory fees could be made thirty
(30) days after the cessation of the Enhanced Community Quarantine. Likewise, there shall be
moratorium on Lease Rentals, tenants shall not be charged of any interest nor be evicted during
the period.

Section 6. CURFEW. A citywide curfew is hereby imposed to all persons except those covered by Section 3 Letter C of this order from 8:00 pm to 5:00 am of the following day:

Section 7. REPEALING CLAUSE. Any or all Executive Orders previously issued inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly;

Section 8. EFFECTIVITY. This Order shall take effect immediately and remain in effect until such time that the President or other appropriate authority lifts the state of public health emergency.

Done this 17th day of March 2020 in the City of Olongapo.

ROLES C. PALLINO, JR.

Attest:

SHEILAR PADILLA Secretary to the City Mayor